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**Part XLIV**

**United States  
Information Agency**

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**Semiannual Regulatory Agenda**

## UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY (USIA)

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## 22 CFR Ch. V

## Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions

**AGENCY:** United States Information Agency.

**ACTION:** Semiannual regulatory agenda.

**SUMMARY:** This agenda announces the proposed regulatory actions that the United States Information Agency (USIA) plans for the next 12 months. USIA's purpose in publishing this agenda is to allow interested persons an opportunity to have more comprehensive documentation of USIA's regulatory plans and to provide a systematic means of monitoring regulatory activity in USIA. None of the

regulations listed in the agenda are considered major under Executive Order 12866 "Regulatory Planning and Review."

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## UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY (USIA)

## Final Rule Stage

## 4083. AU PAIRS

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Unfunded Mandates:** Undetermined

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101(a)(15)(J); 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1258; 22 USC 1431 to 1442; 22 USC 2451 to 2460; Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1977; EO 12048, March 27, 1978; USIA Delegation Order No. 85.5

**CFR Citation:** 22 CFR 514.31

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Abstract:** The agency intends to amend existing regulations governing its au pair program to enhance and further define selection, screening, and placement procedures.

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	06/27/97	62 FR 34632
Final Action	10/00/97	

**Small Entities Affected:** None

**Government Levels Affected:** None

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## UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY (USIA)

## Long-Term Actions

## 4084. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS; THE EXCHANGE VISITOR PROGRAM

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Unfunded Mandates:** Undetermined

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101(a)(15)(J); 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1258; 22 USC 1431 to 1442; 22 USC 2451 to 2460; Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1977; EO 12048 of March 27, 1978; USIA Delegation Order No. 85.5 (50 FR 27393)

**CFR Citation:** 22 CFR 514.14(c)

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Abstract:** The Agency issued a final rule on March 19, 1993, which included a requirement that all exchange visitors and their spouses and dependents on J visas have insurance to cover themselves for sickness and accidents, effective September 1, 1994. In response to concerns raised by the public, the Agency is amending the types of insurance allowed under the Exchange Visitor Program regulations.

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	07/07/94	59 FR 34760
Next Action Undetermined		

**Small Entities Affected:** None

**Government Levels Affected:** State, Local, Federal

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**RIN:** 3116-AA05

## 4085. PRIVACY ACT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

**Priority:** Info./Admin./Other

**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 552

**CFR Citation:** 22 CFR 505

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Abstract:** This document updates and replaces the Agency's prior regulation implementing the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended. The update and replacement were made necessary by changes during USIA's reorganization and realignment of functions and responsibilities when the Agency changed names and again when the Agency began to reinvent itself in response to government downsizing.

The Agency's regulation had not been updated since 1975 and changes in nomenclature and differences in processing Privacy Act requests necessitated these changes. The changes primarily update the definitions, the processes for receiving and handling requests, and to whom to send requests for Privacy Act records. It also better explains the exemptions that the U.S. Information Agency is allowed to use and routine uses.

**Timetable:** Next Action Undetermined

**Small Entities Affected:** Undetermined

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## Long-Term Actions

**Government Levels Affected:**  
Undetermined

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## UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY (USIA)

## Completed Actions

**4086. REQUESTS FOR WAIVER OF  
THE TWO-YEAR HOME-COUNTRY  
PHYSICAL PRESENCE REQUIREMENT**

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101(a)(15)(J);  
8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1258; 22 USC 1431  
to 1442; 22 USC 2451 to 2460;  
Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1977; EO  
12048, March 27, 1978; USIA  
Delegation Order No. 85.5

**CFR Citation:** 22 CFR 514.44

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Abstract:** The agency is promulgating  
a proposed rule that would amend  
existing regulations set forth at 22 CFR  
514.44. These amendments would  
reduce the number of waiver requests

mandatorily referred to the agency's  
internal waiver review board. Further,  
these proposed amendments would  
standardize the supporting  
documentations and procedures  
relating to waiver requests made by  
interested U.S. Government agencies  
and departments on behalf of foreign  
medical graduates subject to the return  
to the home-country requirement  
(section 212(e)).

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/05/96	61 FR 46745
NPRM Comment Period End	11/05/96	
Final Action	05/28/97	62 FR 28801

**Small Entities Affected:** None

**Government Levels Affected:** State,  
Local, Federal

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